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## "Avenge Bataan" Week Being Observed With Bond Rally At Liberty Theatre Tonight

"Avenge Bataan Day" was observed in Portland on Tuesday this week, in connection with the 4th War Bond campaign. In Coos county the designation is applied to this whole week, according to County Chairman Clarence Coe.



Wm. Peart  
Jap Victim on Bataan

According to the War Department there were 17 Oregon soldiers who died in the Philippines following the Jap invasion there and the check shows that there are 11 others in the prison camps, besides nine civilians. One of the Oregon soldiers who died from the brutal and inhumane treatment accorded prisoners of war by the Japs was Bill Peart of Coquille who enlisted in April 1941, went to the Philippines in September that year and was reported as dead last July. Another Coos county man, reported to death, was Captain John A. Burtz, Jr., of Marshfield. Coquille and Coos county have a personal feeling in this "Avenge Bataan" drive and the "Blast the Japs" war cry is repeated here.

## Save Paper, It's Needed!

Attention is again called to the country's urgent need for paper and Chairman Geo. Burr requests that all remember the salvage depot is still open in the Train building, corner of Front and Hall streets. Those who have old paper, magazines, paper boxes and cartons, are requested to leave them there, or if such a one has no way to bring them to the depot a phone call to Mr. Burr's office will bring the high school boys to collect the paper on Saturday.

## Seven C. H. S. Boys Have Been Enlisted In Army Air Corps

The three high school boys—Jim Peart, DeWayne Mitchell and Fritz Kruz—who enlisted in the Army Air Corps last month and went to Portland last week for their physical examination, all passed successfully, as they had previously with good grades the mental exams. Jim is to be called in August, DeWayne next January and Fritz in February, when they will be sent to college somewhere for further educational opportunities and training, to decide what branch of the service they are best fitted for. They, of course, will finish their high school course as will the other four boys who previously enlisted—Vern Eldridge, Jim Young, Jim Howe and Earl Benham.

## Spring Just Around Corner?

With her Norway notes this week, Mrs. A. R. Bennett encloses a cluster of Youngberry buds which have begun to pop open. With freezing weather at night only a week or ten days in the past this blooming of berries is most striking. It causes Mrs. Bennett to wonder "if spring really is just around the corner."

## Dates For Income Tax Payers To Remember

Income taxpayers are again reminded that deputies from the State Tax Commission will be in Coquille on February 17-18 to assist those requesting it in preparing their state income tax reports.

A deputy from the Internal Revenue Collector's office has been in Coquille yesterday and today to assist in federal income tax reports.

## Merchandise Prizes For Auction Tonight

Everything is set for the Bond Rally and auction, to be held at the Liberty Theatre at seven o'clock this evening, admission to which will be a 25-cent War Savings Stamp, and the total of which admissions will be presented to the holder of the number drawn.

Chairman Frank Martin reported last evening that Coquille's quota of E bonds is \$120,000 and that \$77,587 worth have been sold, leaving \$42,413 of this class of bonds yet to be sold to meet the quota. The other classes of bonds already sold is now practically up to the quota set. It is hoped that this evening's rally can bring the E bonds sale up to the \$120,000 mark.

As announced last week, Ray Jeub will be master of ceremonies and auctioneer at the Rally, and the program will feature Sergeant Geo. Minich, veteran of the battle at Attu, who will be here from Camp White. Community singing, with D. E. Rackleff as leader, music by the high school band, a Hill-billy band, and various stunts and musical presentations will combine to make the evening one no one will want to miss. The committees named by Mrs. Jack Dolan to solicit items for the auction were extremely successful in lining up a very large list of prizes, the contributors and what they donated being the following:

- F. R. Bull, Insurance—1 Qt. Scotch Whiskey.
- Leo Cary, Liquor Store—1 Qt. Bourbon Whiskey.
- Lucky Bonney Drug Store—1 Juice Set.
- White Cottage Ice Cream Parlor—1 Carton Cigarettes, 1 Case Coke.
- Glen Story, Barber Shop—1 Qt. Hair Tonic.
- N-D-Lay Cleaners—\$5.00 Cleaning Service.
- Bigger Furniture Store—1 Coffee Maker.
- Shell Service Station—1 Lubrication Job.
- Shell Body & Fender—1 Lubrication Job.
- Eaton's Feed Store—25 lb. Sack Flour.
- Lamb's Hdwe.—1 Glass Teapot.
- Casino—1 Case Beer.
- White Spot Restaurant—\$5.00 Meals.
- City Cleaners—\$5.00 Cleaning.
- Coquille Wood Co.—1 Load Wood.
- Brooks Furniture Store—1 High Chair.
- Cream O'Coos—1 Case of Beer.
- Catherine's Beauty Shop—1 Permanent Wave.
- Ransom's Barber Shop—\$2.00 Barber Work.
- Pacific Feed & Seed—50 lb. sack Flour.
- Thornton Tire Service—1 Passenger Tire Re-Cap.
- Dillard's Market—\$5.00 Groceries.
- Rainbow—1 Case Beer.
- Washer Service Station—\$10.00 Repair Service.
- 101 Cafe—\$5.50 Meal Ticket.
- Coquille Laundry Co.—\$5.00 Laundry Service.
- Coquille Shoe Shop—1 Pr. Half Soles and Heels.
- Coquille Auto Co.—1 Pass. Car Battery.
- Gregg Hdwe.—1 Silux Coffee Maker.
- Hallock's Dress Shop—Quilted Robe.
- Jack McLarrin—Commando Knife.
- N. W. Pinkston—Dressed Chicken.
- 1 Doz. Eggs.
- Rackleff Pharmacy—Box Cigars.
- Penny Store—Pr. Corked Loggers.
- Cow Bell—Case Coke.
- Southwestern Motors—Assortment of Accessories.
- Purkey's—Shag Rug.
- Wolf's Myrtlewood Products—Myrtlewood Lamp.
- Matejka Jewellery—Fostoria.
- Brandon's—Cigarettes.
- Norton's—Picture.
- O. K. Rubber Welder—4 new Recaps, any set of tires, first \$5000.00 bid.
- Folsom—Mixed Basket.
- Farr & Elwood—Mixed.
- Jim's Market—Ham.
- Bergen's—Plant.
- Cooper's—Plant.
- Harbison's—Myrtlewood.
- Mrs. Geo. Johnson—Mincemeat.
- Mrs. Eldredge—Marmalade.
- Henninger's—Ham.
- Safeway—Ham.
- Quelle Cafe—\$2.00 Meal Ticket.
- Gas & Power—
- Hudson Drug Store—
- Coquille Service Station—Oil

## Dress Shop Robbed Of \$80

Another sneak thief robbery in the Coquille business section, which occurred last Wednesday night, did not become known outside of official circles until later in the week.

The store entered was Miss May's Shop on First street and entrance was effected through a window on the narrow alley way back of the dress shop, Matejka's and Herman's. The alley runs from the Thrift building to the W. O. W. building.

Mrs. Barton, the proprietor, does not usually leave money in the store, but what came in after the bank closed was left that night. It amounted to about \$80 in cash besides some checks which were also taken.

This pitcher, or pitchers, will go to the well once too often, and a conviction for entering and robbery will bring a term in the pen, unless the practice is discontinued. A crook cannot always be lucky in making his get-away.

The same night thieves broke into the Cream O'Coos ice cream plant office and took the cash box but Geo. R. Johnson did not have a record of just how much it contained when the crew left Tuesday evening.

## Small Log Drive Brings 2 1/2 Million Ft.

Geo. A. Ulett reports that the small log drive the Smith Wood-Products crew was able to bring out last Saturday, Sunday and Monday, contained about two and one-half million feet, mostly fir. Had the rains not started when they did, permitting even this small drive, the plant would have had to shut down within two weeks for lack of logs.

It was the smallest log drive ever made by the Smith Wood-Products river crew, but it will enable the plant to keep operating till around the first of March, and unless Coos county is to fall utterly in its 65 or more inches of annual rainfall, there will be more high water this month when more logs can be boomed in the river here.

## Pirates To Meet Red Devils Friday

The Coquille High Red Devils, who lost two more games the past week, will be host to the Marshfield Pirates at the gym here Friday evening, the B squad game starting at seven o'clock. The Pirates were upset last Friday when the Myrtle Point Bobcats took them 29 to 17.

The Red Devils dropped their game to the North Bend Bulldogs, at the Bay, that evening, 41-22, and at the gym here on Tuesday this week, the Bobcats won 41-22, thereby enabling the Cats to crowd close on the heels of the leading Pirates. The latter defeated the Bulldogs that evening, 39-33.

So far as this reporter has heard J. E. Axtell is to be the only Republican politician from Coquille who will attend the Lincoln Day luncheon in Portland Saturday when Wendell L. Wilkie is to be the guest of honor and speaker. Mr. Axtell is leaving Friday, accompanying Jack Kronenberg, of Bandon.

- Change.
- Excel Dress Shoppe—Blouse.
- Dunsted—Box Cigars.
- Gant's Grocery—Case of Oranges.
- Slater's—Picture.
- Thriff's—Case Oranges.
- Herman's Men's Store—Bootery—Play Shoes.
- Barrows—5 boxes Cleanex on first \$150.00 bid.
- Towne's Cafe—\$5.00 Meal Ticket.
- Lorenz Store—Blanket.
- Coquille Barber Shop—Two haircuts.
- Cross Ranch—
- Stevens Hardware—
- J. S. Barton—\$2,000.00 Residential Fire Policy in Coquille.
- Noster's Barber Shop—1 Haircut.
- Burr Motors—
- Bob Geaney—Sack Potatoes.
- Geaney Kids—Two Rabbits.
- Ambulance Corps—Blanket.
- Joe Axtell—Qt. Whiskey.
- Ray Detlefsen—
- Arago Store—Chocolate.
- Ed. Stelle—Box Oranges.
- Mrs. Alton Clausen—Cheese.
- M & W Garage—
- Williams Grocery—1 box Apples.
- Schroeder's Jewelry—Locket, Feb. Births. ne, Compact, Billfold.
- Geo. Oerding—Box Apples.
- Alice Klenz—2 qts. Huckleberries.
- Smith Wood-Products—1,000 ft. Lumber, 1 Load Wood.

## Boy Scout Community Session Here Sunday

An attendance of several hundred is anticipated at the Annual Boy Scout Council meeting, which is to be held in the Coquille Community Building this coming Sunday, Feb. 13, and the general public, or anyone interested, is invited to attend. The affair starts with a potluck dinner at 1:30 p. m., and following is the program for the afternoon session, which starts at 2:30, with R. A. Jeub as master of ceremonies.

Music—Coquille High School Band. Presentation of Colors—All Troops Welcome from Scouts—Scout Norman Persing.

Demonstration by Scouts—Pyramid building, fire building, first-aid, signalling and tent erecting.

Knot tying contest—Tenderfoot Scouts.

Court of Honor—Including Eagle awards.

Membership Graph—Black Chart. Business Meeting—Keneth A. Wells.

Main Speaker—Dr. William Jones, Professor of Political Science at University of Oregon.

Retire Colors.

## Melvin Hayter, 83, Dies At Salem

Another Coquille valley pioneer has gone. He was Melvin Hayter, 83 years of age, of Riverton, who passed away Sunday at the hospital in Salem where he has been for the past few years. The body was not brought home for interment but was cremated out there with his ashes deposited in a vault.

Besides his widow, who before her marriage was Nettie Pearl Steward, he is survived by one son, Alvin Hayter of Riverton. Another son passed away a few years ago.

## Nearly A Million To Coos Co. In 3 Months

The tax turnover to County Treasurer Stauff this week, for January collections, totaled \$46,656.65. Receipts of tax money by the treasurer, and funds from other sources, most of it received the past few weeks, were \$52,703.69 for November and \$33,688.55 for December, making a total for the three months of \$983,048.89.

## B. P. W. Conference In Portland February 26-27

The regular meeting of the Business and Professional Women was held last Monday night in the Parish Hall. A conference is to be held Feb. 26-27 at the Multnomah Hotel in Portland with the Gresham Club as hostess, and an invitation was read from the Marshfield Club for a meeting with them on Feb. 15 at the Presbyterian church. Members planning to accept should get in touch with Hattie Lee Hollimon, transportation chairman.

The nominating committee was announced, with Bertha Smith, chairman, Florence Barton and Viola Newton. The bond drive was discussed and the stamp books were circulated. Inez Rover, Music and Arts chairman, read a fine article on Lincoln and the group sang some of the campaign songs of his day. Singing, led by Clara Stauff, was accompanied by Inez Rover. Games were enjoyed.

## The A. T. Morrisons Have Rented House Near Bandon

Arthur T. Morrison was in Coquille Tuesday from the cranberry bog southeast of Bandon, which he recently sold to L. L. Hooker. He has rented the Mrs. John Haga house in Winterville, at the top of Bear creek hill on the highway, and expects to move into it in April. Mrs. Haga is going to move to Myrtle Point where her son, Orville, resides. Mr. Morrison looks well and says he would not have considered selling his bog but for the impossibility of securing the necessary help to operate it and the past season the picking was quite a problem.

## Legion Pot Luck Dinner Next Monday Evening, Feb. 14

All regular members of Coquille Post, No. 36, American Legion and of the Legion Auxiliary, are urged to keep in mind the potluck dinner to be held in Legion Hall next Monday, Feb. 14, at 6:30 p. m., and to attend. Each one attending bring her or his bread and butter. This is the order of the Legion Commander, Dr. C. G. Stem.

## Mrs. Elrod Tells Woman's Club Of Dire Need For Nurses

About seventy members and friends of the Coquille Women's Club were in attendance on Tuesday at the Parish Hall for the regular February meeting.

The program had been arranged by the Committee on Music and Arts. Something of a studio effect had been gained by the use of two fine hand-painted tapestries of considerable dimensions, arranged to advantage across the stage. Mrs. Ruth Candlin loaned the tapestries.

A pleasing collection of prints representing paintings of various periods was on exhibition.

Mrs. Pearl Ellingsen, principal speaker for the day, defined Fine Arts according to a discussion from the writing of Tolstoy. Her personal interpretations of two noteworthy prints were received with much interest. Mrs. Ellingsen introduced to the group a visitor in Coquille, Mrs. Robert Zentner, who arrived in town on Monday. Mrs. Zentner is studying art at the University of California and teaches in a private school in Berkeley. Her subject was the history of Art; also some discussion was given over to Modern Art.

Persistent and unusually persuasive applause failed bring Mrs. Mildred Tyrrell, following her rendering of "My Hero" and "A Spring Song." The muses, indeed, must have pre-

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## Phone Company Urges Brevity

H. O. Chapman, general manager of the West Coast Telephone Co. in the district, headquarters in Marshfield, was a Coquille visitor Wednesday. He placed three advs. with the Sentinel for future insertion, which tell something of what the phone company is up against in its efforts to give high class service. One deals with the subject of making calls brief, especially long distance calls. There are not enough trunk lines between Coos county and Portland to handle all the business, more lines cannot be built at present, and with the government, Army, Navy and Coast Guard having priorities on telephone service, the private concern or individual quite often has to wait on calls. That is the reason the company urges attention to its "Be Brief" message.

## Daughter of The Stauffs To Spend Time Here

Mrs. Harry R. Turkel and two children, Margaret Ann and William, left Washington, D. C., yesterday on their trip across the continent for Coquille. Mrs. Turkel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stauff. She will spend the summer here and will possibly remain for the duration. Her husband, Major Turkel, in the Air Ferry Intelligence Service, is in Great Britain. For fifteen months prior to his present location he was in North Africa. At the time when he entered the service he was an attorney in the State Department in Washington. Mrs. Turkel has not been on the coast since 1936 and has lived in Washington since 1934. She is to live in the Oederkirk cottage on West Fourth street. The Turkel's have a home in Washington, which they have rented during their absence.

## J. E. Norton Improving Steadily Now

J. E. Norton was in town Tuesday morning, driving himself from the ranch, the first time he has driven a car for many months. He has gained about 30 pounds in weight the past few weeks and feels better than he has for two or three years. He says his hands are not flexible enough yet to take over the milking of his herd but he can now do a lot more about the ranch than he could last year.

## Rainfall Was 2.25 Inches The Past Week

The thermometer was down to the 32 degree freezing mark again last night. Rainfall since September 1 now totals 24.5 inches, the precipitation since our report last week being 2.25 inches. Readings at the gauge the past week in fraction of inches showed .21 on Friday, .48 Saturday, .49 Sunday, none Monday, .48 Tuesday, .54 Wednesday and .05 this morning.

Blank Warranty Deeds for sale at this office.

## City Council In Long Session --- Buys \$6000 Worth Of Bonds

After consultation with City Treasurer Caughell and an examination of the report he had submitted on expenditures so far for this fiscal year, the budget and the cash balances on hand, the city council voted Monday evening to authorize the purchase of \$6,000 worth of G bonds in the 4th War Bond drive.

Mayor Wood had not sufficiently recovered from his recent appendicitis operation so that he could attend the meeting and President of the Council C. M. Gray presided over the talk-fest which kept the councilmen in session until 10:30.

The need for a new overhead door to the fire hall has been under discussion by the firemen and councilmen for some time, the need for a larger doorway and an easily opened door being apparent to everyone. The door will cost \$475 and Engineer Gearheart has estimated the cost of widening the doorway to 21 feet, an I-beam across the top of the opening, the door and installation, and the brick work necessary to make a complete job of it, at \$1200. Fire Chief Craig Perrott informed the council that his estimate was that the department expenditure would run about \$600 under the budget for the fiscal year, requiring \$600 to be transferred from the general fund to meet the \$1200 expense.

In view of the department's need to get out of the hall quickly, and the present necessity of parking the two smaller trucks at an angle, on either side of the big pumper truck, the council instructed the city engineer to have the new overhead door installed.

The resignation of Mrs. Helen G. Ayers, who left Coquille last week, as a member of the Library Board, was presented by letter. Mayor Wood will later name a successor to Mrs. Ayers on the board.

A restaurant license was granted Lyle E. Howell for the Town Cafe on Hall street.

Dr. J. R. Bunch and W. A. Earls, who reside on Coquille Heights, above Knowlton Heights, were present to request a larger water main from Riverton avenue out Hoover street as far as their places and those of E. T. Stelle and Geo. B. Howe. There is now a one-inch main serving that district and in the summer time, the men said, it was almost impossible to get enough water for a bath until 10 or 11 o'clock at night, and quite often the flushing of toilets was impossible. Three of them—Messrs. Bunch, Earls and Stelle—had posted \$25 checks to help pay for a larger line up there and the council voted, conditioned on the fourth \$25 check being posted, to have a 4-inch line laid from Riverton avenue for 500 feet and a 2-inch line from there for the 200 feet to the city limits. The new line will also improve the fire protection facilities for that district.

A petition for a street light at the corner of Seventh and Beach streets, which is a very dark spot, was referred to the light committee with

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## Plans Being Made For World-Day Of Prayer

A meeting was held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Geo. Taylor to plan for the World Day of Prayer. The date is Feb. 25, the first Friday in Lent, in the Episcopal Church at 2:00 p. m. This is held by the United Council of Church Women and is interdenominational. There will be a very fine service booklet provided for those who attend and there will be a leader in-charge. More information will be published next week. Those attending the meeting were Mesdames Frances Holmstrom, Liston Parrish, L. P. Fugelson, A. L. Towne, E. Holverstott, Lee Peterson and Chas. Stauff.

## Free Parking Lot To Be A Convenience At Dillard Market

The Dillard Market which will be re-opened tomorrow, after being completely remodeled, decorated and arranged for easy wait-on-yourself service, makes its announcement on another page of this issue. Everything is spic and span and presents a very neat appearance.

For the convenience of customers the proprietors, W. Weston and Fred Burks, have rented from the Coquille Auto Co. the former used car lot, which they advertise as a free parking lot for those coming to the store.